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BIOLOGICAL SAMPLES

TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

At the time the above application was filed, informal drawings were presented with the application. The formal drawings are submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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